

REMARKS

In response to the rejections under 37 CFR 112, Claims 17-19 have been amended. The amendment is not intended to narrow the claims in any way because those skilled in the art would have understood the prior claims to have the same meaning as the amended claims. Applicant maintains his rights under the doctrine of equivalence with respect to all limitations of claims 17-19.

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